# F98 SQUIDs and Noise Thermometers

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## Goals of experiment

- Learn basics of low-temperature physics
- Learn basics of SQUIDs and noise thermometers
- Lean how to operate dc-SQUIDs

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# Theoretical background

SQUIDS

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Noise Thermometers

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## Experiment Setup & Tasks

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#### Tasks and purpose:

- Resistance at room temperature and in liquid Helium:
   Observe the change in Resistence
- ② Current Voltage characteristics V I: Estimate critical current  $I_C$
- **1** Measure the  $V-\Phi$  Characteristics: Determine the inverse mutual inductance  $M_{IN}^{-1}$  and  $M_{\Phi B}^{-1}$
- Measure output resulting from periodic input signal: Determine the amplification
- Measure Noise at different GBP: Finding an optimal value for the GBP
- Measure Noise Spectrum with a two stage SQUID: Calculate the temperature

Superconductivity

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  - Flux quantization

#### Flux Quantization:

Flux quantization plays a role in the phase relationship between the two superconductors.

- Josephson junction
  - Cooper pairs

#### **Cooper Pairs:**

Cooper pairs tunnel through the insulating barrier, causing the Josephson effect.

SQUIDs:

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#### DC SQUID:

A superconducting quantum interference device with two Josephson junctions for measuring magnetic flux.

- SQUIDs
  - DC SQUID

### Flux Locked Loop:

A feedback loop that stabilizes the SQUID output by maintaining constant magnetic flux

- SQUIDs
  - Flux locked loop

#### Two-Stage SQUID:

Enhances sensitivity by using a primary SQUID amplified by a secondary stage.

SQUIDs

• Two-stage SQUID